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SUBJECT: ARGENTINA ADVANCES ITS OWN CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT  
OF THIRD REVIEW OF CONTACTING PARTIES TO JOINT CONVENTION

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¶1. ESTCouns met on September 24 with Sebastian Sayus, Counselor for the MFA's Directorate of International Security, Nuclear and Outer Space Issues (DIGAN) to deliver talking points in reftel and bio of US candidate for President of the Third Review Meeting of the Contracting Parties to the Joint Convention. Sayus took note the qualifications of the US candidate but pointed out that the GOA was advancing its own candidate for this position.

¶2. The Argentine candidate, he noted, is Ing. Abel Julio Gonzalez, a regulator with over 20 years of experience working at the IAEA. Sayus made it clear that the GOA would be supporting its own candidate.

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